New oil refinery in Assam

1406. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to set up a new oil refinery in Assam in private sector as per the Assam Accord of August 15, 1985; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) Pursuant to the Assam Accord, the Government has decided to set up in the Central Public Sector refinery of 2.00 Million Tonnes Per Annum capacity in Assam. M/s. IBP have recently been selected as the implementing agency for setting up the refinry as its subsidiary with some capital participation by the Assam Government.

Hike in the prices of petrol, diesel and kerosene

1407. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) on how many occasions since 1980 retail prices of petrol, diesel and kerosene have been enhanced (per litre) and the extent of enhancement on each occasion;

(b) the retail prices of petrol, diesel and kerosene (per litre) year-wise from 1980 to 1989 (upto January, 1989);

(c) the total revenue realised through such enhancement, year-wise from 1980 to 1989; and

(d) the impact of this enhancement on prices of other essential commodities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha. (*See* below).

(d) It is not possible to measure the direct or indirect impact of the price of particular item on prices of other essential commodities.

Statement

(a) The details of enhancement of prices of petrol, diesel and kerosene ex-storage points from 1980 onwards are given below :

(Rs./Litre)

Date of enchancement	Petrol	Diesel	Kerosene
8-6-1980	0.65	0.65	..
13-1-1981	0.37	0.37	0.10
11-7-1981	0.53	0.32	0.15
15-2-1983	..	0.20	..
18-3-1983	..	..	0.10
1-9-1983	0.10	..	..
17-3-1985	0.83	0.23	0.25
1-2-1986	0.50	0.18	0.23
9-1-1988	1.00	..	..

(b) The retail prices of petrol, diesel and kerosene (per litre) from 1980 onwards to date ex-Delhi are given as under:—

Effective Dates	Petrol Rs./litre	Diesel Rs./litre	Kerosene Rs./litre
8-6-80	5.11	2.28	1.54
13-1-81	5.50	2.67	1.65
11-7-81	6.07	3.02	1.81
15-2-83	5.90	3.18	1.77
18-3-83	5.90	3.18	1.88
1-4-83	5.99	3.19	1.88
1-9-83	6.09	3.19	1.88
1-4-84	6.09	3.20	1.89
1-6-84	6.12	3.22	1.92
17-3-85	7.01	3.47	2.18
26-3-85	7.01	3.39	2.11
1-2-86	7.54	3.58	2.34
6-2-86	7.43	3.50	2.25
9-1-88 (to date)	8.50	3.50	2.25

(c) Year-wise approximate additional generation of funds due to increase in prices of above petroleum products is given below:

Year	Rs./Crores
1980-81	899
1981-82	2080
1982-83	2503
1983-84	3022
1984-85	3317
1985-86	4348
1986-87	5082
1987-88	5706
1988-89	6406

Demand for petroleum products

1408. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total demand for petroleum products in the country at present; and

(b) what is the quantity of petroleum products imported during 1987-88 and 1988-89 and the value thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The total demand for petroleum products during the year 1989-90 is estimated at 54.161 million tonnes.

(b) The quantity pf petroleum products imported during the year 1987-88 and